

unequal to the exhaustive task of sustained attention during an entire sitting, had gone out at intervals (so the indignant Doctor alleged), "to refresh themselves." The imputation drew forth vehement denials from those who fancied themselves the objects of it, and there was some danger of the hubbub culminating in a Free fight, but happily such an extremity of disgrace was not reached. The Presbyter's angry passions gradually evaporated in repeated "roars" of "Chair, chair," and "Order, Order," though the still combative Doctor took the opportunity of a lull in the "roaring" to remind the rev. Court that "no roar would put him down!" The reminder was superfluous. Here is the Tennysonian version:

11, 3, 68.

I've listened for hours to long set
Speeches at Presbytery met,
With ministers roaring and blowing;
And I've said, "Oh, ye lights that get up such
fights

Have ye aught that is worth the knowing?
Scenes enough and dry boring,
For 'refreshments' men coming and going,
The Fact Dr. Gibson deploring,
But aught that is worth the knowing?"
Life's short hours are onward flowing,
While the word-flood incessant is pouring,
One Presbyter roaring and blowing,
And the rest all blowing and roaring.

FRIGHTFUL FAMINE IN FINLAND.—Every day (writes the clergyman of a parish in Finland) more than fifty peasants present themselves at my house completely exhausted by hunger, imploring bread for themselves and their families, who for some time have been living on moss, hay, and the bark of the fir. The frightful famine is far from being local, as the whole of the province is suffering under it. The last resources are exhausted, and the population has no other alternative than to eat hay or straw, or die of starvation.

SCHEMES OF THE CHURCH.

1868	HOME MISSION.		
March 4,	by cash from Wallace,	£1 11 7½	
" "	" " Pugwash	0 15 0	
" "	" " Saltsprings	5 0 0	
18 "	" " Bar. River	6 5 8	
23 "	" " Pictou Town	3 18 4	
27 "	" " River John	0 14 10	
1868.	YOUNG MEN'S SCHEME.		
March 4,	by cash from Wallace	1 1 11	
" "	" " Pugwash	1 7 6	
1868.	FOREIGN MISSION.		
Mch. 4,	by cash from Wallace	1 2 8	
18 "	" " Earltown	0 16 6	
" "	" " Tatamagouch River	0 16 11	

" " " W. B. R. John 2 13 4
27 " " " River John 0 12 0

RODERICK McKENZIE,
Pictou, March 31st, 1868. Treasurer.

Lay Association, W. B. E. River, Con.

QUARTERLY COLLECTION.

SECTIONS.	COLLECTORS.	
Big Brook	W.B. Miss Christy McLean, " Johanna Ross	\$3.10
Hopewell	Miss Mary Barclay, " Mary Urquhart	3.25
Middle River.	Miss Isabella Grant, " Ellen Fraser	7.40
W. Side W.B.	Miss Mary B Cameron, " Jessie B. McQuarrie	5.68
E. Side W.B.	Miss Elizabeth Chisholm " Ellen Cameron	2.00
2nd div. W.B.	Miss McLean. " Eliza. McDonald	3.00
Fox Brook	Miss Barbara McKenzie, " Jane McBain	2.20
Total		\$26.63

D. GRAY, Sec,
Hopewell, W. B. March 1, 1868. B. L. A.

List of Monies Collected for Lay Association,
St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, dur-
ing year ending 31st Jan'y. 1867, and
paid over to James Fraser, Esq.,
Central Treasurer.

Amounts collected for first three quarters
as per statement inserted in *Record* for Jan-
1868, as follows:—

Miss Sarah Fraser & Miss Jessie McKay,	\$15.25	
Miss Maggie McDonald & Miss Jessie Ann Hunter.	15.33	
Miss Mary Fraser, West Side	2 00	
Miss Christina Fraser, Fraser's Mountain	2 00	\$34.58

FOURTH QUARTER.

Miss Fraser and Miss McKay for North End, N. G.	\$4.62½	
Miss McDonald & Miss Hun- ther, South, End, N. G.	3.75	
Miss Mary Fraser, for West Side N. G.	1.25	
Miss Christina Fraser, for Fraser's Mountain,	0.50	
Miss Catherine McInnis, Fraser's Mountain,	3.77	
Miss Jessie Cameron and Miss Agness Weir for Big Cove, & S. R.	8.50	\$22.39½

ALEXANDER FRASER, Downie,
New Glasgow, 26th March, 1868. Secretary.